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at the beginning. So they are two separate areas.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Well, that's the way I understood it, I was just trying to make sure that I still understood exactly what you're saying. And, I guess, I don't think I'm going to support your amendment at this point. I understand what you're saying, and maybe you have some good reason for putting this amendment up. The...the answer that I give to your discussion about the amount of money is...the extra amount of dollars is, it looks to me like we probably are going to have to look other places to find more funds. But when you look at the total economy of particularly rural Nebraska, most of us understand that the...

SENATOR JANSSEN: Time.

SENATOR VRTISKA: I guess I'm through. Thank you.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Senator Jensen.

SENATOR JENSEN: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the body, I have some problems with this. And I'm trying to think how I can...how I can be a supporter of this. And, I guess, the only way I could is...and that's if we put a cap on income tax and we put a cap on sales tax, because what we're doing here, we're capping one without the other two. And that's okay, if we're willing to say that school expenses are not going to increase anymore and that the state is not going to increase its participation to schools anymore. I did...and then also I passed out a sheet that I hope you'll take a look at. This is an editorial from the Hastings Tribune. But I do have also a little concern with the fact that more, as...the more involvement that the state has in school finance, certainly the more that they're going to have...they're going to be involved in what that school does and what it doesn't do. And are we approaching a point where we have not the several hundred school districts that we have, but we have one school district? So that concerns me. And it only...I see what happens in the federal government, local government, the more dollars that are involved, the more participation, the more control that those dollars have as to where they go. Since between 1988 and 1998, we've had a...property tax burden for schools has been reduced 17 percent. During that period of time income tax has risen